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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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Applicant's or agent's file reference 91641	FOR FURTHER ACTION	see Notification of Transmittal of International Search Report (Form PCT/ISA/220) as well as, where applicable, item 5 below.
International application No. PCT/AU 99/00306	International filing date (<i>day/month/year</i>) 23 April 1999	(Earliest) Priority Date (<i>day/month/year</i>) 23 April 1998
Applicant COMMONWEALTH SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH ORGANISATION		

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This international search report consists of a total of **5** sheets.

☒ It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

1. Basis of the report

- a. With regard to the **language**, the international search was carried out on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.
- ☐ the international search was carried out on the basis of a translation of the international application furnished to this Authority (Rule 23.1(b)).
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- ☐ contained in the international application in written form.
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- ☐ the statement that the subsequently furnished written sequence listing does not go beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed has been furnished.
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2. ☐ Certain claims were found unsearchable (See Box I).

3. ☐ Unity of invention is lacking (See Box II).

4. With regard to the title, ☐ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.
☒ the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:

ASSAY FOR METHYLATION IN THE GST-Pi GENE

5. With regard to the abstract, ☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant
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6. The figure of the drawings to be published with the abstract is Figure No.

- ☐ as suggested by the applicant. ☒ None of the figures
- ☐ because the applicant failed to suggest a figure
- ☐ because this figure better characterizes the invention

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Electronic database consulted during the International Search

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L2	85 S L1 AND METHYLATION
L3	31 S L2 AND (ASSAY OR DIAGNOS? OR TEST?)

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L4	28 S L2 AND (ASSAY OR DIAGNOS? OR TEST?)
L5	0 S L4 NOT L3